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Chiem V. Pham

Application No.: 10/724,107

Group Art Unit: 1711

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Examiner: P. Hightower

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced  
Patent Application:

1. Amendment Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
2. Fee Transmittal for FY 2005;
3. Amendment in Response to Non-Final Office Action;
4. Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate A Double Patenting Rejection over a "Prior" Patent (US Patent 6,362,308);
5. Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate A Double Patenting Rejection over a "Prior" Patent (US Patent 6,703,477);
6. Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b);

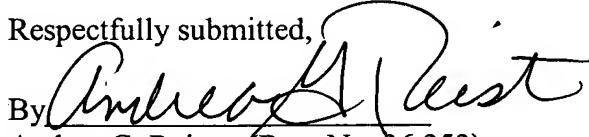
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Dated: December 22, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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## FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

<u>Application Type</u>	<u>FILING FEES</u>		<u>SEARCH FEES</u>		<u>EXAMINATION FEES</u>		<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Small Entity  
Fee (\$) Fee (\$)

50 25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

Total Claims Extra Claims Fee (\$) Fee Paid (\$)  
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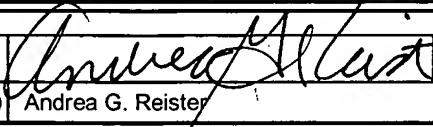
#### 4. OTHER FEE(S)

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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